Shelby	Thune	Vitter
Sullivan	Tillis	Wicker
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Baldwin	Heinrich	Nelson
Bennet	Heller	Peters
Blumenthal	Hirono	Reed
Booker	Kaine	Reid
Boxer	King	Schatz
Brown	Klobuchar	Schumer
Cantwell	Leahy	Shaheen
Cardin	Lee	Stabenow
Carper	Markey	Tester
Casey	McConnell	Udall
Coons	Merkley	Warner
Feinstein	Mikulski	Warren
Franken	Murphy	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Murray	Wyden

#### NOT VOTING-8

Cornyn Kirk Sanders Cruz McCain Toomey Durbin McCaskill

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 50, the nays are 42.

Three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, the motion is rejected.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I enter a motion to reconsider the vote. The PRESIDING OFFICER. The motion is entered.

The Senator from Tennessee.

AMENDMENT NO. 3804 WITHDRAWN

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, I withdraw my amendment No. 3804.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The amendment is withdrawn.

The majority leader.

AMENDMENT NO. 3878 TO AMENDMENT NO. 3801

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I offer the Cotton amendment No. 3878.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows: The Senator from Kentucky [Mr. McCon-NELL], for Mr. COTTON, proposes an amendment numbered 3878 to amendment No. 3801

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered. The amendment is as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be obligated or expended to purchase heavy water produced in Iran.

## CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk for the Cotton amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:  $$\operatorname{\textbf{CLOTURE}}$$  MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on Senate amendment No. 3878 to amendment No. 3801 to Calendar No. 96, H.R. 2028, an act making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

Mitch McConnell, Thad Cochran, Lamar Alexander, Johnny Isakson, Marco Rubio, David Vitter, Patrick J. Toomey, Steve Daines, Richard C. Shelby, James Lankford, John Thune, James M. Inhofe, Lisa Murkowski, Tom Cotton, Pat Roberts, John Barrasso, John Hoeven.

Mr. McCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk for the Alexander substitute amendment No. 3801.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on Senate amendment No. 3801 to Calendar No. 96, H.R. 2028, an act making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

Mitch McConnell, Bob Corker, Tom Cotton, Thom Tillis, Mike Crapo, Joni Ernst, Jerry Moran, John Boozman, Lindsey Graham, John Thune, Daniel Coats, Chuck Grassley, Shelley Moore Capito, Thad Cochran, Lamar Alexander, Richard Burr, Roy Blunt.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

## MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

# TRIBUTE TO DR. JAMES RICHARDSON

Mr. REID. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the career of Dr. James "Jim" Richardson, who is retiring from the University of Nevada, Reno, UNR, this year.

Dr. Richardson is stepping down from his positions as director of judicial studies and foundation professor of sociology and judicial studies after 48 years of service to UNR. His commitment and dedication to the judicial studies and justice management programs have been invaluable in preparing students for careers in the justice system. Dr. Richardson has enriched the lives of hundreds of students, including the many undergraduate students he introduced to the field of sociology and the doctoral can-

didates he mentored as they completed their dissertations.

In addition to his teaching activities, Dr. Richardson has been a prolific researcher and writer. He was among the first researchers to focus on new religious movements. He has been praised for his interdisciplinary approach to sociology, particularly for his incorporation of subjects such as law, psychology, and economics into the study of religion. Dr. Richardson has authored or coauthored 9 books, more than 150 articles, and 85 book chapters. In addition, he has held nearly 350 presentations in almost 30 countries. Through his work, Dr. Richardson has made important contributions to the scholarship of sociology and has enriched academia as a whole.

Dr. Richardson has had an impact on the practice of law and the justice system in more direct settings as well. For instance, he has served as an expert witness on a variety of legal cases. He has also been a consultant for the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has worked to help law enforcement officials better understand the interaction between the justice system and religious groups. In addition, Dr. Richardson has researched several issues for the Nevada Supreme Court.

I congratulate Dr. Richardson on his many successes and decades of dedicated service to UNR and to the Silver State. Both the justice system and academia have benefitted from his work, and I wish him the best in his retirement and future endeavors.

# VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I was necessarily absent from this evening's vote on cloture on the substitute amendment No. 3801 to the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, H.R. 2028, which was not agreed to.

On rollcall vote No. 66, had I been present, I would have voted to oppose cloture. The junior Senator from Arkansas has proposed an amendment which would grind the Senate's appropriations process to a halt while undermining U.S. national security. This amendment is simply another attempt to undermine the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, JCPOA, that has verifiably eliminated the threat of Iran's nuclear program to the United States, Israel, and the international community. In fact, the junior Senator from Arkansas attempted to undermine this national security agreement before it was even negotiated by leading a partisan letter to Iran's Supreme Leader, implying that Congress would not honor any potential diplomatic resolution to the conflict. The unprecedented attempt failed.

Now that this agreement has been implemented, he is trying to undermine it again by attempting to prohibit the Department of Energy from taking actions which support the deal and remove nuclear-related materials